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Clifton Lind, et al.

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FOR: METHOD, APPARATUS, AND PROGRAM  
PRODUCT FOR CONDUCTING BINGO  
GAMES WITH PRE-ASSIGNED BINGO  
CARDS AND PRE-MATCHED BINGO  
CARD SETS



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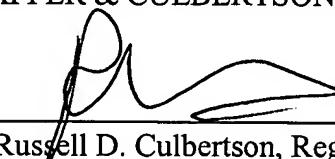
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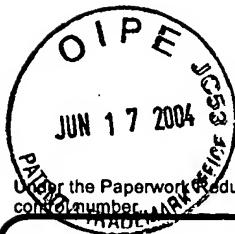
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